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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 2.

Identification of prior art discussed: none.

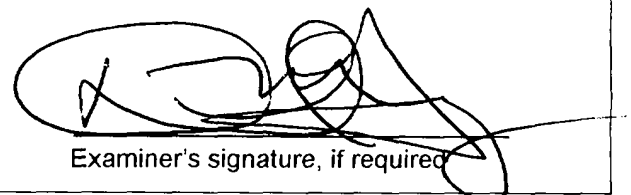
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr Parker pointed out a typographical error in the previous examiner's amendment. The attached set of claims for printing corrects the noted error (claim 2, line 12; "molder" has been changed to --molded--).

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Replace claims 2 and 5 with the following.

2. An omnidirectional visual camera comprising:

a reflecting member comprising:

a rotationally symmetric surface portion comprising a convex surface of a secondary rotationally symmetric curved surface;

a cylindrical portion having cylindrical walls surrounding said rotationally symmetric surface portion and a cylindrical axis of rotation substantially aligning with an axis of rotation of said rotationally symmetric surface, and having a cylindrical inner diameter larger than an outer diameter of said rotationally symmetric surface portion; and

a connection section for connecting one longitudinal end of said cylindrical portion with the outer diameter portion of said rotationally symmetric surface portion;

said rotationally symmetric surface portion, said cylindrical portion, and said connection section being integrally molded of a transparent material,

said rotationally symmetric surface portion comprising a mirror surface; and

a camera having an optical axis substantially aligning with the axis of rotation of said reflecting member and installed opposite to the convex surface of said rotationally symmetric surface portion,

said camera located for picking up a reflected image reflected from the convex surface of the rotationally symmetric surface portion of said reflecting member.

5. The omnidirectional visual camera according to Claim 2, wherein one end surface of the cylindrical portion to which the rotationally symmetric surface portion is connected has a smaller diameter than the other end thereof.